

od of road maintenance; the creation of a patrol system for the care and upkeep of the public roads and highways of the State. Providing for a budget system for the road and bridge fund of the counties, and providing for its proper safe guard and expenditure. Providing for the office of County Road Superintendent, and defining his duties and powers, empowering him to work county convicts upon the public roads. Authorizing and directing the Commissioners Court to provide for needs and equipments of the Road Superintendent and Patrolmen so employed. Prescribing the duties and liabilities of all persons subject to road duty, and fixing penalties for the violation or neglect of such duties so imposed. Repealing all laws in conflict herewith and declaring an emergency."

We have had same under consideration and report it back with the recommendation that it do pass.

McMillin, Chairman; Davidson; Floyd; Williams; Witt.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, July 27, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred H. B. No 10,

Beg leave to report that we have examined the same and recommend that it do pass and be not printed, being the same as the Senate Bill on the same subject.

DUDLEY, Chairman.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, July 27, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills have had Senate Bill No. 14 carefully compared and find same to be correctly engrossed.

FLOYD, Chairman.

NINTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Thursday, July 28, 1921.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Hertzberg.
Baugh.	Lewis.
Bledsoe.	McMillin.
Buchanan.	Murphy.
Burkett.	Page.
Clark.	Richards.
Cousins.	Rogers.
Darwin.	Suiter.
Davidson.	Watts.
Doyle.	Williams.
Dudley.	Willis.
Fairchild.	Witt.
Floyd.	Wood.
Hall.	Woods.

Absent—Excused.

Carlock. Parr.
Dorough.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Bailey.

Excused.

On account of important business: Senator Dorough until Monday, on motion of Senator Bailey.

Mayor of Dallas Addresses Senate.

By the adoption of a resolution, Mayor Aldredge of Dallas was introduced to the Senate for a brief address.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Page:

S. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act conferring upon the Insurance Companies organized under the laws of this State, in addition to the powers heretofore conferred upon such companies, the power to act as executor under the last will, or as administrator of the estate of any deceased person under appointment of any court of record having jurisdiction of the estate of such deceased person, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Baugh:

S. B. No. 23, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing the Board consisting of the Lieutenant Governor and three members whom the Governor is authorized to appoint, and which Board is authorized and empowered to govern, manage and con-

trol Sub-Experiment Stations to make experiments and conduct investigations in planting and growing agricultural and horticultural crops and soils, and the breeding, feeding and fattening of live stock for slaughter, and conferring the authority, duties, powers and functions of said Board upon the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

Read the first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Senator Murphy:

S. B. No. 24, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1853 in Chapter 6 of Title 37 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to citations."

Read the first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

Relating to Suspended Sentence Law.

Senator Burkett presented the following memorial:

Waco, Texas, July 27, 1921.

Dear Sir:

The following communication from Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing, later Commanding Officer of the U. S. Naval Prison at Portsmouth, N. H., from August, 1917, to March, 1920, who conceived of, and put into successful operation the Mutual Welfare League of Sing Sing, which has been, and is now, enforced under Commodore Wadhams at the above Prison at Portsmouth, where

"For over two years the Naval Prison has been carried on without any guards at all—although we have had as high as 2,000 prisoners at one time.

"The repeal of the Suspended Sentence Law would be a very serious mistake for the State of Texas.

"The 'Wave of Crime' (which has been, in many places, much exaggerated by the newspapers) is a natural result of the Great War. It is not local; it has shown itself all over the country—in Boston and New York as well as in Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco. The Suspended Sentence Law in Texas does not, therefore, account for your share in the crime wave.

"The most potent factor in crime, at the present time, is the ineffective and often brutal methods in force in our penal institutions. Not only do we fail to teach prisoners their duties as citizens, but we often turn them out worse criminals than when they came in. This is shown by the numbers of recidivists or repeaters; our prisons have in them large numbers of men who are graduates of reform schools and reformatories and also a large number of men who have previously 'done time' in prison.

"If our institutions were properly protecting the State, this would not be true.

"The State of Texas, before it repeals humane laws, should institute a careful survey of its correctional institutions and see if the chief trouble does not lie with them."

The above is offered for your consideration by the Committee of information on Suspended Sentence Legislation.

Mesdames W. E. Spell, D. B. Humphreys, J. W. Downs, Quent Ware, Maud Gertrude Richardson, Wm. M. Foster.

The above was read in full and, on motion of Senator Richards, ordered printed in this Journal.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5.

By Senator Dudley:

Whereas, the long continued financial depression now hovering over Texas renders it almost impossible for owners of school lands in the school land territory to obtain money with which to pay interest past due on their public free school land; and

Whereas, it is believed those owing past due interest would, if given an extension, ultimately pay the interest that is due and thereby be a greater benefit to the school fund and individuals who owe interest than it would to have the lands forfeited and re-sold, and thereby lose the interest that is due to the school fund; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate of the State of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby authorized to and he shall postpone the forfeiture of school land until August 25, 1922, for the

non-payment of interest now due on said land.

Read and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

House Bill No. 10.

The Chair laid before the Senate on third reading.

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay salaries of judges and the support of the Judicial Department of the State government for the two years beginning September 1, 1921, and ending August 31, 1923, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and passed finally by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Bailey.	Hertzberg.
Baugh.	Lewis.
Bledsoe.	McMillin.
Buchanan.	Murphy.
Burkett.	Page.
Clark.	Richards.
Cousins.	Suiter.
Darwin.	Watts.
Davidson.	Williams.
Doyle.	Willis.
Dudley.	Witt.
Fairchild.	Wood.
Hall.	

Present—Not Voting.

Floyd.

Absent.

Rogers. Woods.

Absent—Excused.

Carlock. Parr.
Dorough.

Senate Bill No. 4.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay the salaries of officers and employees of certain educational institutions and other expenses of maintaining and conducting them, as follows, to-wit: The University of Texas, including the Medical Branch at Galveston and the College of Mines and Metallurgy at El Paso; the Agricultural and Mechanical College; the State Experimental Stations; the Prairie View State Nor-

mal; the College of Industrial Arts for women; the Sam Houston Normal Institute; the North Texas State Normal; the Southwest Texas State Normal; the West Texas State Normal; the East Texas State Normal; the Sul Ross State Normal; the Stephen F. Austin State Normal; the John Tarleton Agricultural College; the Grubbs Vocational College; the Texas State School for the Blind; and the State Deaf and Dumb Institute, for the two years beginning September 1, 1921, and ending August 31, 1923, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and, Senator Bledsoe offered the following several amendments, severally:

48. Amend S. B. No. 4, page 67, line 4, by striking out "Instructor in Biology," and substituting therefor "Instructor in Commercial Arts."

49. Amend S. B. No. 4, page 67, lines 5, 6, 8, 15, 16, 21, 24, 25 and 26, by striking out "\$2,000.00 each year," and substituting therefor "\$2,400.00 each year."

50. Amend S. B. No. 4, page 66, by striking out line 28.

The above several amendments were acted on separately, and adopted by unanimous consent.

Senator Baugh offered the following amendment:

51. Amend S. B. No. 4, page 59, line 22, by striking out the figures "\$3,600.00," and insert in lieu thereof the figures "\$4,000.00."

The amendment was read and adopted by unanimous consent.

The bill, having been read third time, was passed finally by the following vote:

Yeas—19.

Bailey.	Floyd.
Baugh.	Hall.
Bledsoe.	Hertzberg.
Buchanan.	Murphy.
Cousins.	Page.
Darwin.	Watts.
Davidson.	Willis.
Doyle.	Witt.
Dudley.	Wood.
Fairchild.	

Nays—3.

Burkett.	Suiter.
McMillin.	

Absent.

Clark.	Rogers.
Lewis.	Williams.
Richards.	Woods.

Absent—Excused.

Carlock.	Parr.
Dorough.	

Addition to Standing Committee.

"I move that Senator Hart Willis be added to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence."

HERTZBERG.

The above motion was read and adopted.

Adjournment.

There being no matters on the calendar,

On motion of Senator Bailey, the Senate, at 10:35 o'clock a. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

APPENDIX.**Resolutions.**

Senator Suiter sent up and had read, a petition numerously signed by citizens of Wills Point, urging legislative co-operation with Governor Neff's efforts to prevent graft in public office and consolidation of several State departments in the interest of economical administration of State affairs.

Senator Watts sent up and had read a petition, urging legislation tending to restrict cotton raising in certain zones, owing to prevalence of pink bollworm.

TENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Friday, July 29, 1921.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Bailey.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Clark.
Bledsoe.	Cousins.
Buchanan.	Darwin.
Burkett.	Davidson.

Doyle.	Richards.
Dudley.	Rogers.
Fairchild.	Suiter.
Floyd.	Watts.
Hall.	Williams.
Hertzberg.	Willis.
Lewis.	Witt.
McMillin.	Wood.
Murphy.	Woods.
Page.	

Absent—Excused.

Baugh.	Dorough.
Carlock.	Parr.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Murphy.

Chicken Barbecue for Legislators.

Senator Wood here extended, on part of the citizens of Austin, an invitation to a chicken barbecue at Camp Mabry, Tuesday afternoon at 6 o'clock, inviting the members of the Senate, officers, and employees.

The invitation was accepted.

Bills and Resolutions.**Simple Resolution No. 19.**

By Senator Doyle:

Whereas, The complaint is made that there are more employees in some of the Departments than are necessary; and

Whereas, Economy demands that the number of employees be reduced to the lowest number consistent with efficiency of the service; therefore be it

Resolved: 1. That the Lieutenant Governor appoint a committee of three Senators whose duty it shall be to visit the several State Departments and make diligent investigation of the work required and the number of employees now retained in each Department, and report their findings, with recommendations, at the earliest day possible, of this session.

2. That said investigation shall extend to and include the employees of the Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals, the Commission of Appeals, The Civil Court of Appeals of Austin, the Confederate Woman's Home, the State Confederate Home and the Eleemosynary Institutions.

The resolution was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Williams:

S. B. No. 25, A bill to be entitled